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## LOSS OF LIFE

Caused by Destructive Cyclone in Louisiana and Mississippi

## ONE HUNDRED KILLED.

Over One Hundred People Killed and Many Cabins Wrecked—All of the Dead Except Two Are Colored—A Parish in Louisiana and Three Counties in Mississippi Swept by the Cyclone.

A wind of cyclonic proportions swept over portions of Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama late Friday, leaving a trail of dead and injured. The number of killed is estimated at close to 100 and the number of the injured at over 100 with many portions of the afflicted districts to near from.

Most of the dead are negroes. Perhaps a dozen white persons were caught in falling buildings and either fatally injured or so seriously disabled as to require medical attention.

The loss of life was in the quarters of colored persons where the wind destroyed their cabins, burying the occupants in the debris, or in the farming section of the country where trees were uprooted, telegraph and telephone poles torn up and general destruction became an enormity to a storm which, with almost tornado fury, swept through the country.

It is difficult to estimate the loss of life or the extent of the disaster, for there is little or no communication with the points where the wind and rain did its greatest damage.

In Louisiana it is estimated that a score of small towns were destroyed or partially wrecked. These include Amite City, Arcadia and Independence, Belle Grove, Melton, Lorman, Pine Ridge, Quitman, Landing, Fairchild Creek, Purvis and Lumberton, Miss., are reported seriously damaged by the storm.

In Alabama, Dora was the chief sufferer. This town is also known as Bergen. Four or more persons were killed, among them the wife and daughter of Section Master Moore. Fifty persons at the lowest estimate were injured. Those most seriously hurt were carried to hospitals in Birmingham, Ala. One woman, a Mrs. McCully, died on the train. Two other members of this family were seriously injured. At Bergen cars were blown from the railroad tracks and considerable other property destroyed. Reports also say that the storm struck Abertville, Ala., and destroyed nearly the entire northern portion of the town. A cotton mill was blown down, the storm ranging northward, doing much destruction to life and property.

An unconfirmed report from that section gives the death list as from 30 to 35 with other persons injured. A special train was sent from Birmingham, carrying physicians and a squad of State militiamen to the district. Aid is also pouring in from all directions.

From Meridian, Miss., comes a report that Mrs. John Minnie and her child were killed outright and John Minnie was seriously injured, while a number of other persons were hurt and there was considerable destruction of property.

Richland and Lamourie, La., were struck by the storm and nearly a fifth of their population injured.

Winchester, Miss., a small town, is reported wiped out, though only two persons are known to have been killed.

Natchez, Miss., reports sixty are known to be dead in the northern Louisiana storm. Hundreds of plantation cabins are reported destroyed in that section.

Mobile reported nine dead in Hattiesburg, Miss., but this has not been confirmed.

## PLUMBER'S CARELESSNESS

Caused the Death of a Young Lady in Brooklyn.

Miss Grace Buckley, the 21-year-old daughter of H. H. Buckley of No. 398 Halsey street, Brooklyn, was killed Tuesday night by the carelessness of a plumber. The gas jet in her bed room was fixed the day before by the plumber who tightened the stopcock so that it was impossible to turn it completely off; and Tuesday when her grandmother, found Miss Buckley dead in bed and the gas escaping from the fixture. A physician was called but he stated the girl had been dead for some hours.

## HEAVY DISPENSARY SALES.

Three Thousand Dollars Worth of Liquor Sold in One Day.

The largest sales since the opening of the North Augusta dispensary were made on Saturday, April 18, the sales amounting to over \$3000. This amount exceeded the largest amount yet sold in one day previously by about \$1,100, the largest sales previously being about \$1,900.

## TRIED TO KILL THEM.

GREENWOOD MAN AND WIFE HAD CLOSE CALL.

While They Were Asleep in Bed the Son of the Man Shot at Them at Close Range.

A dispatch from Greenwood to The News and Courier says Butler Pinson, known as "Bub," is charged with making an attempt to kill his father and step-mother, Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Pinson, as they lay asleep early on Tuesday morning, firing both barrels of a gun at them, and when only about eight feet away from them. That Mr. and Mrs. Pinson are living to tell how it happened is a miracle, for the load of shot entered the head of the bed, only a few inches above their heads, and some of the shot were found imbedded in the pillows, on which their heads rested.

Mr. B. M. Pinson lives about a mile and a half southeast of Saluda, and within about four hundred yards of Siloam Church. He is a well-to-do farmer, and is numbered among Greenwood County's most substantial citizens, he being a man of about 55 years of age.

"Bub," however, seems to bear a pretty bad reputation, having lived a very profligate life, living the greater part of the time away from home.

Young Pinson's motive is unknown, but his father, the elder Pinson, himself thinks that the boy, knowing that no one knew he was in this part of the country, decided that he would kill both himself and Mrs. Pinson, and that he would then share the estate with his brother, Richard, being hard pressed for funds. Mr. Pinson had only lately refused to grant his request for money.

Young Pinson made his escape, but Sheriff McMillan is making every effort to catch him, and has sent out the following description of Pinson all over the country: "Arrest Butler Pinson; charge, attempt to murder; color, white, age, twenty-six years, height 5 feet, 7 inches, weight 160 pounds. Said to have missing tooth, brown eyes and dark hair; full face and clean shaven. Use caution."

## COAL MINE VICTIMS.

Explosion in Pennsylvania Coal Mine Kills Four Men.

Mine Inspector Henry Loutett and the miners who volunteered for rescue work in Mine No. 1 of the Ellisworth Collieries Company, at Ellisworth, Pa., where an explosion occurred early Thursday, have completed their search of the mine and report that only four men were killed.

There were over one hundred men at work at the time and their escape is due to the fact that the explosion happened at a point beyond where they were working. The explosion resulting from the victims striking a pocket of gas while at work far back in the mine and ahead of the air supplied by the ventilating system.

Fire followed the explosion, which was terrific, but the affected sections have been bratticed and the damage will not be heavy. This was the second explosion in the mine, but no deaths resulted from the first. Inspectors regarded the mine as gaseous to a dangerous degree and protested against it being equipped with electrical appliances, but their protests were denied on the hearing of the suit against the company.

## ANOTHER SAFE ROBBED.

Yeggmen Enter Stores and Take Three Hundred Dollars.

At Greenville Tuesday morning safe crackers entered the branch store of Carpenter Brothers and blew open the safe, securing in the neighborhood of \$300. The sub-postoffice was located in the building and part of the money belonged to the Government. The building is located on Washington street, in a few yards of the Southern depot and the robbery was a daring piece of work, as there is constant passing on the street at all hours of the night. It is thought that the robbers blew the safe open, just as a passenger train rolled into the yards, the noise from the train drowning the report from the explosion.

## BRYAN WINS AGAIN.

Massachusetts Will Send Delegates to Denver Favorable to Him.

A dispatch from Boston says the Bryan men report the state for Bryan at the caucuses held to elect delegates to the state convention. No contest worth the name was made for any other candidate, and the delegates chosen, were, generally speaking, favorable to Bryan. In Boston only four per cent. of the party vote came out, and the same thing was the rule throughout the state. In one Boston ward, where efforts were made to elect delegates, pledged to Johnson, the attempt was unsuccessful.

## A Wonderful Cat.

The Newberry Observer says: "There is a pet cat in the family of Thomas Barber, of Hopkins Corners, Mich., that will never play with the baby without first biting off the sharp point on its claws."

## WILL NOW QUIT

Selling Booze or Go to Jail for Contempt of Court.

## AFTER BLIND TIGERS

Court Injunctions Will be Pushed and an Earnest Effort Made to Stop the Illegal Sale of Liquor—Gov. Ansel Will Authorize the Attorney General to Proceed as Supreme Court Gives the Right.

"What will be done now that the supreme court has sustained the injunction policy as applied to blind tigers? This question has suggested itself to a great many people in the last two days. Gov. Ansel himself declines to talk, and Attorney General Lyon is out of the city," says the Columbia State.

"But it is reported that Mr. Marshall P. DeBruhl, assistant attorney general, has been given a batch of injunction affidavits and has been ordered by Governor Ansel to proceed against the places regarded as 'blind tigers.' It is said that among these cases are five right here in Columbia and that Capt. T. E. Dixon has been given orders to employ not only the keepers of the places but the owners of the property from ever again tolerating the illicit sale of liquor on the premises, such sale constituting a nuisance under the Carey-Cochran act and subjecting the property to be handled in injunction proceedings."

It is believed that Gov. Ansel will now push the injunctions against blind tigers in Charleston—and in other cities where they may exist—and by this drastic measure drive these people out of an unlawful business.

"When Gov. Ansel was a candidate for governor he received nearly 75 per cent. of the votes in Charleston county. Some time after he assumed his official duties there was some talk to the effect that Charleston was getting more and more 'wide open,' depending upon Gov. Ansel's political friendship. When this matter was brought to Gov. Ansel's attention he inquired of the attorney general if there were any way effectually to go after the blind tigers."

"Mr. Lyon suggested the injunction method. This was approved by the Governor and the State dispensary auditor, Mr. W. B. West, was sent to Charleston to work up evidence against suspects. The dispensary constabulary was used and upon affidavits thus obtained the attorney general issued injunctions closing a number of liquor shops in Charleston."

"An appeal was taken to the supreme court and the court decided in favor of the injunctions. Mr. Lyon had been advised by Gov. Ansel to suspend the enjoining proceedings until the court should act. Mr. DeBruhl, it is stated, has received instructions that as the court has sustained the injunctions the work should be pushed."

It is said that in Charleston when a lawbreaker was enjoined from selling liquor he would move his place to the upper story of the same building and conduct the business in his clerk's name. Mr. Lyon will now issue injunctions against property owners also. These injunctions are perpetual, and the punishment is sure."

## A SEVERE CYCLONE.

Bodies of a Man and His Wife Carried a Mile.

A destructive cyclone visited Nebraska last Thursday, sweeping through Cuming County. Three people are known to have been killed, a number injured and a number of houses destroyed. Telegraph and telephone lines are down and reports are slow in arriving.

The tornado struck the house of John Mangleson, near Pender, Neb., and then swooped up into the air, taking the wreckage and both Mr. and Mrs. Mangleson. Both were killed, their bodies being carried a mile. George Wacker and family were at lunch when the twister struck their house. Three of the family were seriously injured.

## EIGHT WERE EXECUTED.

Students Attempted to Assassinate the President of Guatemala.

A dispatch from Mexico says students attempted to assassinate the President of Guatemala on Wednesday. The students were immediately seized, and, without trial, eight of them were executed. The squad of cadets had been assigned from the institute to act as an honorary guard at the reception of Major William Heinke, the new minister from the United States.

The dispatches assert that as the president entered the palace the students fired and Cabrera fell, blood streaming from several wounds.

Soldiers seized the students and wrenched the guns from them before they could reload or use their clubs.

## A BRUTAL MURDER

DIDN'T INTEND TO KILL ANY PARTICULAR PERSON.

Hoped His Victim Would Be Wealthy American or English Tourist, Who He Could Rob.

The shepherd, Joseph Michaud, who murdered Robert Munzinger, a young Swiss Alpinist, on the Col de Balme last August, has been sentenced to life imprisonment at Martigny, Switzerland.

The crime was perhaps the most remarkable ever committed in the Alps. According to Michaud's confession, which was made with great calmness, he lay in wait on the Col de Balme for days, intending to murder the first unaccompanied tourist who came along.

He hoped his victim would be a rich Englishman or American, and his intention was to leave Switzerland and to come to America, where he hoped to make his fortune.

Michaud explained that he had thought this out carefully while attending to his flock, and had concluded that he would remain a shepherd to the end of his days unless he could make a coup by murdering and robbing a wealthy tourist.

"Many Englishmen passed," said Michaud in his confession, "but they were all accompanied by relatives or friends."

Finally Munzinger appeared. He intended crossing the Col de Balme and descending to Chamouxy, whence he meant attempting an ascent of Mont Blanc. When near the summit of the Col de Balme Michaud attacked him with a hunting knife and stabbed him to death.

Michaud robbed the body, stripped it of clothes, and then buried it under some rocks. He hoped, however, to remove the traces of the crime, and guides who searched the precipitous slopes of the Col de Balme for a week finally discovered the evidences of a struggle, which led to Munzinger's body being disinterred.

Michaud aroused suspicion in a neighboring village by displaying a watch which afterward proved to be Munzinger's. When the shepherd was arrested he was wearing the clothes of the murdered man. He showed great unconcern and laughed and joked with the gendarmes.

His booty amounted to a about \$5 and Michaud's only regret was that he had killed a Swiss instead of a wealthy foreigner. "I was too hasty," he complained to the judge during his trial, "I had been waiting so long that I had become impatient."

## BANKER'S CONVENTION

Met in Columbia Last Week in Regular Annual Session.

The eighth annual convention of the South Carolina Bankers' Association was called to order at Columbia Thursday morning by the President, Hon. W. D. Morgan of Georgetown. There was a large attendance of bankers from all sections of the State.

The invocation by Rev. Kirkman G. Finley, rector of Trinity church, opened the proceedings, and President Morgan then introduced Mayor W. S. Reamer, who extended to the convention the welcome of the city and placed the keys of the city in the hands of the visitors.

He was followed by Hon. D. C. Heyward, president of the Columbia Savings Bank and Trust Company, who, on behalf of the Columbia Clearing House Association, extended the welcome of the Columbia bankers.

The response of the association was made by Hon. John C. Sheppard, of Edgefield, who made an eloquent address, referring to the time when thirty-five years ago he first came to Columbia to a meeting organized to rescue the State from misrule and the courageous part of the people of Columbia had taken in that movement.

## MARTYR TO SERVICE.

Attendant in a Contagious Hospital a Victim of Septicemia.

A New York dispatch says one of the most popular and efficient nurses of the Rikers Island Hospital on North Brother Island, Miss Maybelle P. Strawski, has given her life to her calling. Rikers Island Hospital is a city institution given over to the treatment of contagious diseases exclusively and about three weeks ago Miss Strawski was in charge of several diphtheria patients.

She pricked her thumb with a safety pin in the care of one of the patients and at the time thought nothing of it.

In a few days, however, it developed that the pin was badly infected and Miss Strawski was found to be suffering from a violent attack of septicemia.

Ordinarily an operation on the injured thumb or an amputation of the arm would have saved the life of the sufferer, but in the case of Miss Strawski the poison has been so virulent and had spread so rapidly that all efforts to save her life proved futile and she died.

## SHOT HIM DOWN

From Ambush While He Was Riding Along the Road

## IS FATALLY WOUNDED

Mr. J. B. Sims Assassinated Near the Scene of a Fight He Had a Few Weeks Ago With Mr. W. Hampton Stogner, in Which the Latter Was Mortally Wounded—The Assassin Unknown.

A dispatch from Lancaster to The State says J. B. Sims, a farmer of that county, was found on Wednesday lying face downward about three miles from Lancaster, with what is believed to be a mortal wound, having been shot from ambush. His left side is filled with buckshot.

Rev. E. O. Thompson made the discovery and at once summoned Dr. R. G. Elliott, who attended the wounded man. It is believed that his wound is fatal.

Sims' body was found almost at the identical spot at which the difficulty between Hampton Stogner and himself occurred on February 3, last, in which both men used their pistols, Stogner receiving a wound which resulted in his death at a Chester hospital the following day. Sims, in the difficulty, escaped without injury.

Sims was tried for the killing of Stogner at the last term of court, the case resulting in a mistrial. There is no clue to the assassin of Sims.

## TIGER SPRINGS UPON MAN.

Driver of Bullock Cart Has Narrow Escape From Death.

A dispatch from Calcutta says a correspondent at Chamarajaukar sends the following: A cart belonging to the forest range officer was going along with some twenty other carts, at 4 a. m., at a very little distance from Atigulpur, eight miles from Chamarajaukar.

There were two persons in the cart. Both were wide awake. There was noticed some uneasiness among the bullocks that were drawing the carts. The cartman saw this symptom and became aware that there was danger. The bullocks began to run, as the road was sloping.

The tiger was perceived by some of the cartmen pursuing them, and the cartmen began to beat the kerosene oil tins and shout wildly to scare away the tiger. But the tiger, not daunted by this, sprang upon one bullock that was to the left side of the hindmost cart. The two persons, though much frightened, yet took courage and began to shout and howl their loudest.

The tiger, enraged at this, sprang on the man who was driving the cart. But the man managed to slip back into the cart, and the tiger lost its hold, and sat by the roadside. After awhile the two persons issued from the cart and tried to lift the bullock, but found it was dead. Then, taking the other bullock, they proceeded to the town.

## HUNT FOR LOST BOY.

James K. Willard, of Ogden, Utah, Is Searching Whole Country.

The Atlanta Journal says on Wednesday morning a well-dressed man with a distinctly western appearance walked into the police station and began making inquiries as to whether they had heard anything of a strange woman with a nine-year-old boy being seen in Atlanta.

He stated that about four months ago his only child had been kidnapped and he was searching for him, coming to Atlanta from New Orleans upon hearing that the woman and boy were headed this way.

Upon being questioned the mysterious man stated that his name was James K. Willard, and that he lived near Ogden, Utah. He stated that his child, Karl Willard, was stolen from near his home about four months ago and practically ever since that time he has been searching for him, and intended to keep searching until he either found the boy or knew positively where he was.

The child was described as being a pretty nine-year-old boy with golden curls. He said that the boy was very smart and that he knew he would hear from his child if he ever got an opportunity to write him.

## GOOD FISH STORY.

Dog Drowned by Big Trout in a Fierce Struggle.

A small dog belonging to A. E. Case, of Dayton, Wyo., was dragged into Tongue river by a trout and drowned. The dog accompanied Case's little son on a fishing trip. The boy hooked a fish large enough to jerk the fishing rod into the water. The boy sent the dog after it, but the trout hauled the dog and pole about until the dog was carried down the rapids and drowned in sight of his master. The boy recovered the pole and after a hard struggle landed the trout, which weighed four pounds.

## BUSH WAR WAGED.

TREACHERY AND CUNNING USED ON BOTH SIDES.

It Is Reported That Sixty Whites and Indians Have Been Killed in the Bloody Warfare.

A report that about 60 whites and Indians have been killed in Nicaragua in bloody bush warfare waged by Mosquito Indians was brought to New Orleans by W. R. Coffman of Bloomington, Ill., who was a passenger on the steamer Dictator from Central American Ports. The death list of whites numbers about 20.

The fighting started over a month ago on the Caribbean coast, where the Indians live. Late in February about 100 Indians attacked Prinzapolca, a small town. They hid behind bushes, trees and other shelter, pouring into the village a fire which killed two men.

A long hard fight resulted, soldiers and citizens volunteers finally driving the assailants back, about a dozen of the Indians being killed or mortally wounded. The other Indians fled but many of them were captured and after being severely beaten with raw hides, chains were placed about their legs and they were imprisoned in an improvised stockade.

Another engagement took place at Cape Gracias, near the border of Nicaragua and Spanish Honduras. Here the casualties among the troops were five, but the Mosquitos were more successful than before and fled in retreat to the mountains.

Since then, Mr. Coffman said, many troops have been sent into the Mosquito district and several skirmishes have occurred. It is reported that treachery and cunning have been used on both sides. Wherever a party of white men get a chance they generally kill the Indians without mercy, and the Indians have slain several soldiers whom they caught in the forests.

## BOLD ROBBERS RAID

And Rob Club House at Pistol Point and Escape.

At Hot Springs Ark., four masked men with leveled revolvers entered the club house of the Indian club on Central avenue early Wednesday, forced the occupants to line up alongside the wall and looted the place of a large amount of money.

The occupants were then locked into a room and the robbers escaped. No definite statement concerning the amount of money taken can be secured but it is estimated at between \$5,000 and \$10,000.

After gathering up all the money in sight the robbers forced the occupants to enter a small room and the door was locked. The robbers fled and so quietly was the robbery conducted that the persons in the cafe were unaware of the proceeding.

One man finally crawled over the transom from the locked room and then liberated his companions. The alarm was at once given and the police were called on to search for the robbers.

## CHANCE TO ELECT BRYAN

Says Editor Henry Watterson. The Johnson Boom Is Too Late.

While in New York a few days ago, where he dined with Mr. Bryan, Col. Henry Watterson said: "Personally, I have no doubt that Mr. Bryan will be nominated at Denver, and I think that we have a good chance to elect him. The movement in the interest of Gov. Johnson comes too late and from the wrong quarter. If the chances that are now urging his nomination had backed me up when I advocated his candidacy ten months ago he might have had a chance for the nomination. But the Democrats of New York in the present chaotic condition cannot dictate to the majority of the Democratic party." Col. Watterson said that Taft would be nominated by the Republicans.

## DEADLY TYPHOID FEVER.

An Augusta Family Stricken With the Terrible Disease.

A dispatch says there is a small epidemic of a malignant form of typhoid fever in certain sections of Augusta. Sunday morning, Mrs. K. D. Sibley, widow of the late Chas. Sibley, died at the home of her mother, Mrs. Duncan. Just a week ago her sister, Miss Duncan, died of the same disease, and at this time Mrs. Sibley's two little children and her mother, Mrs. Duncan, are seriously ill of the same malady.

## LOST CONTROL OF TRAIN.

Four Italians Were Killed When the Crash Came.

Four Italians were killed outright, one fatally injured, and died on the train while en route to the Williamsport hospital, and four others probably fatally injured in a wreck on a log train on the LaQuinn lumber road at Whalen, Pa., Wednesday morning. Failure of the reverse lever on the engine allowed the train to run away.

## RAISE THE DEAD.

Machine That Restores Life When the Vital Spark

## SEEMS ALMOST GONE.

The Most Remarkable Invention Fills Inert Lungs With Oxygen and Thus Neutralizes All Poisons—A Rabbit and a Dog Pronounced Dead Leap from the Table After Use of the Respirator on Them.

It was announced some time ago that Professor George Poe, of Norfolk, Va., had invented an "artificial respirator machine" that would raise the dead. There has just been completed at Norfolk by Professor Poe and several inquiring scientists a series of amazing successful experiment with the little contrivance which mechanically puts oxygen, the breath of life, into inert lungs.

Those who witnessed the tests are firmly convinced that thousands of lives may be saved by the "brass heart," which is what Poe's machine practically is. It will be especially valuable in cases of suspended animation caused by drowning, by gas asphyxiation in mines, and by coma resultant upon typhoid fever and other diseases.

Professor Poe, by letting the contrivance force upon him inhalation and exhalation of oxygen, was enabled to stop breathing for ten minutes. Animals, declared dead beyond all doubt by the visiting physicians, were revived in a few minutes and were able to scamper out of the operating room.

Practically, though not literally, of course, the artificial respiration machine brought the dead to life and the experts say it will work equally well on human beings.

Professor Poe's machine is built as near as possible along the lines of the human heart. It is about eighteen inches in height, with two cylinders—corresponding to the ventricles and auricles of the heart—and inlet and outlet valves. Double tubes enter the larynx and nostrils of the patient.

Roughly, the contrivance resembles a bicycle pump. While one set of tubes draws off the poisonous fluids and gases from the lungs, the other set forces in the life giving oxygen.

The first experiment was upon "Socrates," a pet rabbit on the Poe farm. It was given two grains of morphia, enough to kill a man. Then immediately four ounces of ether were administered. The physicians pronounced the rabbit dead, after all ordinary restorative failed.

The machine was then applied and within three minutes the effects of the poison and anesthetic were drawn off, and Socrates jumped from the table and hopped away. A large dog was then killed and brought back to life again within five minutes.

The doctors present realized then that many of the evil and after effects of anesthesia could be done away with by the machine. And there dawned upon them another side of its value, which had rather a humorous aspect. Intoxication, it was found, could be cured in a few minutes.

This experiment was actually made. The machine was applied to a hilariously drunken man, drew off the poisonous alcoholic fumes and he straightened out in three minutes. Since then, it has been said, Professor Poe has been approached with a proposition to manufacture pocket respirators for this purpose.

Infant asphyxia, that dread accompaniment of birth, which stifles many a life before it has fairly started to exist, may also be wiped out by the respirator. Dr. J. P. Jackson and Professor Poe, with a miniature machine, saved the life of a baby at Berkeley last week. The machine did the breathing for the child until it was able to strike out for itself.

Throughout the Virginia country folks regard Professor Poe as a modern miracle-worker. Despite his persistent declarations that his invention is merely an aid to life after it has fled, the country people call him the "raiser of the dead."

Many persons have written to Poe asking him to try and restore life to relatives who have been dead for weeks, months and even years. He is engaged now in manufacturing several respirators which will be tested in the leading hospitals of the country.

## ILLINOIS FOR BRYAN.

Instructs Her Delegates to Vote and Work for Him.

The Illinois State Democratic Convention, which met at Springfield on Thursday, adopted the unit rule and instructed its delegates to the National Convention at Denver to vote for W. J. Bryan and to "use all honorable means" to secure his nomination. The resolution endorsing Mr. Bryan was adopted with enthusiasm and a flattering demonstration followed the action. One by one the Western States are falling in line for the great Commoner.